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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170 and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

As for my family, this would constitute an unfair financial burden that could possibly result in a decrease in the safety of my wife and daughters. I provide them with cellphones ONLY for the purpose of being able to call home, or, if necessary, the police or other emergency services. The phones are NOT used for idle "chit-chat", and, in fact, we do not even give the phone numbers to anyone. They are NEVER used for long-distance calls; but only for a few minutes each month for brief calls home to inform of changes in plans or location. And, of course, for the peace of mind that comes from knowing that emergency services can always be contacted should the need arise. If I am forced to pay the proposed increase to the Universal Service Fund, I will in in all probability be forced to cancel service on at least one of the phones, thus decreasing the safety and security of my family. Please reconsider your proposed tax increase, my famuly's phones aren't a luxury, in today'!

s uncertain world they are a valuable form of safety insurance. Don't price them out of our reach.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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